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| <b>REQUEST<br/>FOR<br/>CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)<br/>TRANSMITTAL</b><br><br>Address to:<br>Mail Stop RCE<br>Commissioner for Patents<br>P.O. Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | Application Number     | 09/807,367               |
|  | Filing Date            | April 12, 2001           |
|  | First Named Inventor   | Mary Vijayarani Barnabas |
|  | Group Art Unit         | 1751                     |
|  | Examiner Name          | Charles I. Boyer         |
|  | Attorney Docket Number | 7822                     |
|  | Confirmation Number    | 7245                     |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Suspension of action fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------|
| NAME (Print/Type) | Mark A. Charles         | Reg. No. (Attorney/Agent) | 51,547 |
| SIGNATURE         | DATE September 22, 2003 |                           |        |

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### **1. BASIC FILING FEE - Large Entity**

| Code (\$)           | Fee Description        | Fee Paid      |
|---------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| 1001 750            | Utility filing fee     | 0             |
| 1002 330            | Design filing fee      | 0             |
| 1004 750            | Reissue filing fee     | 0             |
| 1005 160            | Provisional filing fee | 0             |
| <b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b> |                        | <b>(\$)</b> 0 |

### **2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE - Large Entity**

| Code (\$)   | Fee Description   | Extra Claims  | Fee from Below | Fee Paid |
|---|---|---------------|----------------|----------|
| Total Claims 0 - 20** = 0 x 0 = 0                                 |   |               |                |          |
| Independent Claims 0 - 3** = 0 x 0 = 0                            |   |               |                |          |
| Multiple Dependent 0 = 0  |   |               |                |          |
| ** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below |   |               |                |          |
| 1202 18   | Claims in excess of 20                                  |               |                |          |
| 1201 84   | Independent claims in excess of 3                       |               |                |          |
| 1203 280  | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                   |               |                |          |
| 1204 84   | **Reissue independent claims over original patent       |               |                |          |
| 1205 18   | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 & over original patent |               |                |          |
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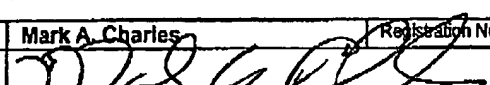
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| 1051 130                  | Surcharge-late filing fee or oath   | 0        |
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| 1053 130                  | Non-English specification   | 0        |
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| 1804 920*                 | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner's action 0  |          |
| 1805 1,840*               | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner's action 0   |          |
| 1251 110                  | Extension for reply within 1 <sup>st</sup> month  | 0        |
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| 1403 280                  | Request for oral hearing  | 0        |
| 1451 1,510                | Petition to institute a public use proceeding   | 0        |
| 1452 110                  | Petition to revive - unavoidable  | 0        |
| 1453 1,300                | Petition to revive - unintentional  | 0        |
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| 1502 470                  | Design issue fee  | 0        |
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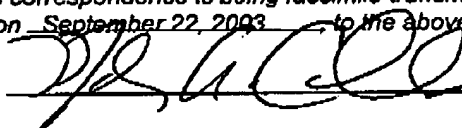
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